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Shockingly Funny

Mistress of laughs loves to entertain

Tyler Brown | COLLEGIAN

Comedian Loni Love performed to a packed house in the K-State Union's Forum Hall last night. As time withered down closer and closer, it became clear it was going to be a great turnout.

After everyone found a seat and it finally quieted down, we were introduced to the opening act, Mary Renee. Considering that we're in Manhattan, Kan., the open and honest vulgarity of her act made the air in Forum Hall feel a bit stuffy. It could have been awkward since there were people from college age to older adults present (even a child, as was discovered later).

"I had seen her before at Rocky Horror, so I knew she was dirty," said Will Fisher, freshman in interior design.

When Mary Renee finished, it was time for the main act of the evening. When Love came out, Forum Hall erupted in applause as she called out fans of her appearances on shows like Chelsea Lately and VH1's "I Love the '70s, '80s, etc." Reactions to her jokes seemed positive as Loni covered a broad range of subjects, including politics, self-image and pop culture.

"She related very well with the audience. She used material that we, being college students, could easily relate to," said Nolan Lewis, freshman in elementary education, referring to Love.

As the show was getting close to its end, Loni incorporated some audience partic-



ipation. First Love called up a young lady from the crowd and sat her on a stool, she then called for three young men with "great pick-up lines" to come try them on her. This K-State version of the "Dating Game" was an interesting addition to her standup routine. Love then asked three girls to come up and try their tactics on the male winner. After that was a talent competition, which included a rendition of "The Worm" dance, a lyrical reference to "The Hangover" and two vocal performances. The winners of the three events got cash prizes from Love herself.

"After a long day of classes and work, this was the perfect way to end the night!" said Hannah Ozier, sophomore in communication sciences and disorders.



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Top: Comedian Loni Love interacts with students during her show in Forum Hall Monday night. The boys used shocking pick-up lines on an unsuspecting female student.

Above: Comedian Loni Love jokes about following Jesus with a vase of water, hoping for a miracle.

Agencies use Twitter to distribute information

Danny Davis | COLLEGIAN

Social networking has gained in popularity over the past decade. Twitter.com, a popular social networking service, has been ranked in the top 50 most trafficked Web sites by Alexa Internet, Inc. traffic ratings.

Recently, the Kansas Highway Patrol (KHP) began using Twitter. Their account (@kshighwaypatrol) serves as an informational outlet for the law enforcement agency.

"We're trying to broaden outreach to the public," said Technical Trooper Edna Buttler. "With new technology, we have more efficient and inexpensive ways to do that."

Twitter is a free service available to any person who wishes to participate. A Twitter account is not mandatory to "follow" the KHP which allows the public to participate without registering an account.

The KHP intends to use the account to provide information about car accidents, road closures, and other emergencies, Buttler said. For example, on Saturday before the K-State basketball game, they "tweeted" that there would be additional troopers in the Manhattan and Kansas City areas focusing on impaired drivers.

Buttler said that the KHP is still fairly new to using Twitter so they are still learning the types of information they should post. They look forward to comments from the public about how they can improve the service, she said.

Another Kansas agency has taken advantage of Twitter and the KHP Twitter feed. The Bourbon County Emergency Management follows the KHP on Twitter and uses the information to respond to emergencies and distribute information to the people of

Bourbon County.

Keith Jeffers, emergency manager, said he follows the KHP to pass information along to fire chiefs, the sheriff and law enforcement.

"It's a great way to get the message out," Jeffers said. "With one message I can hit everyone that needs to be alerted."

Bourbon country is part of a nine-county group that spans Kansas and Missouri that intends to use Twitter as a storm-spotting service.

He said that text messaging works on a different frequency than voice communication. During tornadoes in the past, cell phones have lacked a cell signal, but have still been able to send text messages. That will make a Twitter storm-spotting network valuable, Jeffers said.

"It provides a way for civilian spotters to send messages to Twitter that I'll be able to monitor without taking phone calls," Jeffers said. "I can get a printout and send that information to the National Weather Service to send full alerts out to the population."

Jeffers said that the service in Bourbon County has been well received. He hopes more professional agencies will start using Twitter.

Aaron George, junior in marketing, said that posting updates on Twitter is a good start for agencies, but thinks they need to expand on it.

"I think if they expanded it beyond just Twitter they could reach more people," said George. "If they put it on multiple medias then it would be beneficial."

Currently, however, organizations across the state and country are focusing on Twitter due to its ease of use, said Buttler.

"I was amazed it was so simple to post information," said Buttler.

Where Twitter feeds can be accessed by anyone, Facebook updates require a Facebook account. People following Twitter can receive text updates and send replies directly from their cellphones.

For the KHP Twitter feed, direct your web browser to twitter.com/kshighwaypatrol.

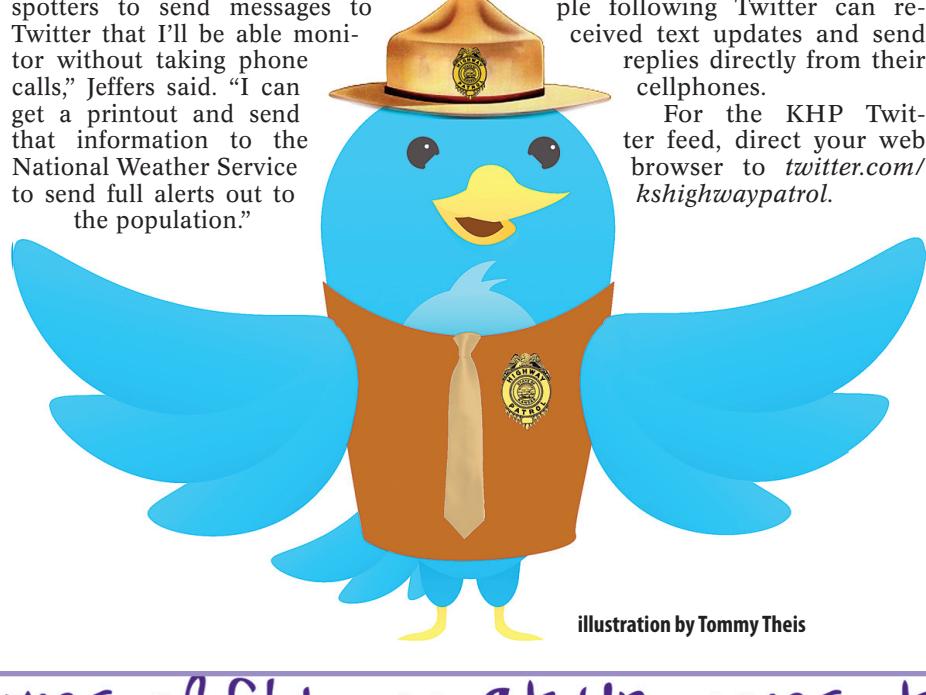


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CITY COMMISSION

Cell phone bans to be discussed

Jenny Whalen | COLLEGIAN

The Manhattan City Commission will meet tonight at 7 p.m. to discuss two ongoing issues.

The first item on the agenda involves the use of cell phones while driving. Each year, the city adopts the most recent version of the Standard Traffic Ordinance.

Last year, the commission directed the City Administration to prepare an amendment that bans texting and the use of handheld devices by drivers.

This evening, the commission will consider the ordinance the City Administration has prepared.

The second item for discussion is the proposed interlocal agreement for the US-24 Corridor Management Plan.

This plan encompasses the long-range planning of how development projects such as the Base Re-alignment and Closure process and the National Bio and Agro Defense facility affect infrastructure issues such as impact on roads, sewage and storm drainage.

Mayor Bob Strawn said the commission will have the opportunity tonight to approve the plan.

"It's planning ahead for the future and making good preparations for what's to come," said Strawn.

Pottawatomie County and Wamego have already adopted this plan and are waiting for Manhattan to come on board.

Citizens are encouraged to attend the meeting which will be televised live on local cable channel 3. Live feed of the meeting will be available via Webcast on the City of Manhattan's Web site at Ci.manhattan.ks.us.

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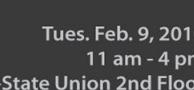
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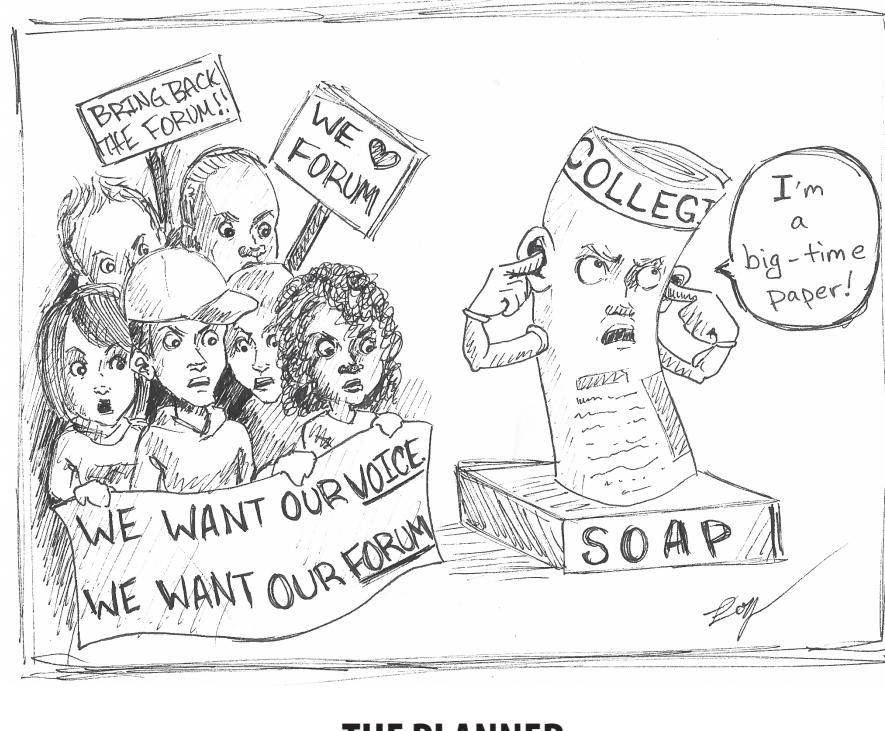


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I have hubris in my ears... | By Erin Logan



THE PLANNER

CAMPUS BULLETIN BOARD

Applications for Student Alumni Board are due at the K-State Alumni Center by 5 p.m. on Wednesday. Applications are available at the Alumni Center or online at www.k-state.com/sab.

Information Technology Assistance Center will be presenting the following orientations. The events are open to all K-State faculty, staff and students. Registration required.

-IT Orientation: Online Tools will be held from 10 - 11 a.m. today in Hale Library room 401B.

-IT Orientation: The Magic Behind the Curtain — The Educational Communications Center will be held from 2 - 3 p.m. Feb. 11 in Hale Library room 401B.

-IT Orientation: IT Training will be held from 2-3 p.m. Feb. 17 in Hale Library room 401B.

-IT Orientation: Computing at K-State will be held from 2-3 p.m. Feb. 23 in Hale Library room 401B.

-IT Orientation: Library Technology will be held from 10-11 a.m. March 4 in Hale Library room 401B.

-IT Orientation: Emerging Technologies will be held from 10-11 a.m. March 10 in Hale Library room 401B.

Rec Services is offering two dance programs — Hip Hop Dance and Just Dance. Each program is 5 weeks, offered in several levels of difficulty and begins Feb. 8. Sign up in the office at the Peters Recreation Complex. For class descriptions and fees, go online to RecServices.k-state.edu.

Rec Services offers nutritional analysis and consultations. Sign up for a one-hour appointment. Register in the office at the Peters Recreation Complex. For fees and more information, go online to RecServices.k-state.edu or call 785-532-6980.

The Center for the Advancement of Entrepreneurship hosts its second annual "The Next Big Thing Competition," and \$12,000 in cash prizes for entrepreneurial ideas will be offered. Orientation is Thursday in Union 212. All students are encouraged to participate. More information can be found at K-state.edu/entrepreneurship.

Applications for National Student Exchange for Fall 2010 and Spring 2011 are due by March 1. For more information, contact Kari Nap in the Office of Admissions at [karin@k-state.edu](mailto:kari@k-state.edu).

edu or go to Nse.org.

Come to SafeZone's Relationship Workshop Part I: "Should I stay or should I go: how to recognize unhealthy relationships and get out," from 12:30-1:30 p.m. today in the K-State Student Union room 213. Registration is free and available at k-state.edu/safezone. Click on trainings offered.

SafeZone will hold Relationship Workshop Part II, which will deal with enhancing relationships. This workshop is from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Thursday and is open to all members of the K-State community. Register at k-state.edu/safezone by clicking on trainings offered.

Don't miss Extreme Fitness on Sunday from 2:30-4 p.m. at the Peters Recreation Complex. This is not a beginner's program.

Rec Services personal trainers offer this free workshop for individuals looking for a full-body workout challenge. It is limited to 20 participants and participants must be 18 years or older and be a K-State student or faculty member. Sign up in the administrative office. For more information, call 785-532-6980.

Rec Services personal trainers present a series of free workshops called Muscle Focus from 2-3 p.m. on Saturdays. These free workshops are for men and women. Each workshop targets a different muscle group. Sign up for these free workshops at the weight room attendant desk. Saturday will focus on chest and abdominals. For more information, call 785-532-6980.

Mortar Board, Inc. is accepting applications. Access the application at k-state.edu/mortarboard and submit to 107 Leadership Studies Building, second floor reception area by Feb. 19. Mortar Board members will be available in the Union February 16, 17, and 18 to answer questions and to celebrate National Mortar Board Week (Feb. 15-19).

The Planner is the Collegian's bulletin board service. To place an item in the Planner, stop by Kedzie 116 and fill out a form or e-mail news editor Bethaney Wallace at news@spub.ksu.edu by 11 a.m. two days before it is to run. Some items might not appear because of space constraints, but are guaranteed to appear on the day of the activity.

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DAILY BLOTTER

ARREST REPORTS

SATURDAY

Pathang A. Zia, 3108 Heritage Ct., was arrested at 11:14 a.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$30.

Kevin Lee Meier, 613 Goodrich Dr., was arrested at 12:20 p.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$120.

Karla Kay Stone, Solomon, Kan., was arrested at 1:25 p.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$345.

Sammie Earl Moore, Kansas City, Kan., was arrested at 2:55 p.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Trenton Walter Hagerman, Lawrence, was arrested at 4:30 p.m. for sale or distribution of hallucinogens and no Kansas drug tax stamp. Bond was set at \$5,000.

Gwendolyn Nicole Nelson, Odgen, was arrested at 5 p.m. for driving with a canceled or suspended license. Bond was set at \$750.

Carlos Amauriay Infante, Fort Riley, was arrested at 11:30 p.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$500.

Jeremy D. Oakes, Topeka, was arrested at 11:37 p.m. for driving under the influence and transporting an open container. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Nathan Cole Barnett, Topeka, was arrested at 11:40 p.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.

Brian Michael Tiller, Topeka, was arrested at 11:55 p.m. for disorderly conduct. Bond was set at \$750.

SUNDAY

Daniel Edward Ney, 1121 N. Juliette Ave., was arrested at 1:12 a.m. for obstruction of the legal process. Bond was set at \$750.

Shane David Gooden, Lawrence, was arrested at 2:05 a.m. for battery and disorderly conduct. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Mackenzie Shay Clark, Olathe, Kan., was arrested at 2:45 a.m. for unlawful possession of a depressant, possession of drug paraphernalia and driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$1,500.

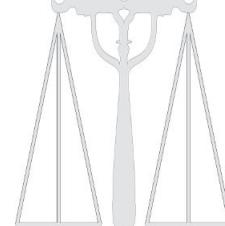
Kathy Ann Klenke, Lenexa, Kan., was arrested at 2:50 a.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.

Trent Krafton Freeman, 1410 College Ave., was arrested at 3:02 a.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.

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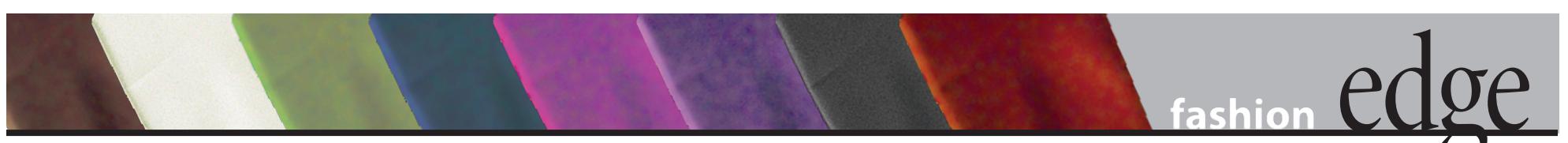
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Tie It Together

Knowing how to knot gives professional touch



Lucrecia Nold

Imagine, it's the morning of an important interview. You start getting ready: first breakfast, shower, shave, brush teeth and so forth. Then you go to put on your suit and BAM! You don't know how to tie your tie and start wondering if it's even appropriate, considering there is an image of Stewie from "Family Guy" on it. What are you going to do?

Well, I hope you never end up in a situation like this, but to help prevent something similar from happening, here are a few simple ways to tie a tie and some insight of what the designs on your tie are telling everyone around you.

The first style of tie you can go for is the Windsor knot. This is usually worn for more formal occasions and ends with a sharp triangle once finished. One would commonly wear this style with a cut-away shirt collar. To tie the full Windsor, you must:

1. Start with the wide end of your tie on your right side with the thinner side about 12 inches shorter from where the wide side sits. Remember: The length here will vary from tie to tie and on your own per-



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2. Place the wide end over the narrow end.
3. Bring the wide in around and up through the loop.
4. Bring the wide end behind the narrow end and up back through the loop, and then down the back.
5. Make a bridge and bring the wide end up through the back and

sonal body build. then down through the knot which is in front. 6. Adjust now to fit your outfit and you.

A second style you can use could be the Four in Hand. This knot is probably the easiest and most popular knot used for ties. Plus, it can be worn for any occasion. To achieve this one, you must:

1. Start just as you did for the Windsor tie.
2. Place the wide end over the narrow end, and then bring it back towards your right side.
3. Create a bridge with your first two fingers.
4. Cross the wide end around to the left, and then up through the loop.
5. Then place it down through the knot.
6. Again, making sure you hold the back part of the tie, adjust the knot to fit your outfit and you.

Other tie styles you can choose from would be the Prince Albert, the Half Windsor and the Bowtie.

At last, since you now know how to tie your necktie (hopefully!), you may need to make sure the color and design on it relays the proper message you want to send. Obviously, there are a few more aspects you will have to pay attention to when it comes to your tie, like what color looks best with your shirt and suit. However, these are a few basic bits of information that will help you and possibly save you the next time you have to wear a tie!

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Red: power, determination, love, energetic, fighter

Black: power, mystery, death, elegance, formal

Purple: royalty, nobility, ambition, independence, creativity

Pink: love, friendship, passiveness, romance (Hint: great color for dates!)

Blue: stability, trust, faith, wisdom, calm

Green: nature, harmony, growth, work effectively, ambitious

White: purity, want to clear thoughts

Yellow: joy, energy, happiness, positive

Brown: earthy, thinker

Lunchtime Lounge performances returning to Union

Maura Wery | COLLEGIAN

In the past years, Union Program Council Lunchtime Lounges have taken place sporadically in the K-State Student Union courtyard, where traveling and local music acts have brought noon-hour entertainment to the students. However, it was not without its set of problems.

The lounges occurred very sporadically throughout the school year, originally starting in the evening, but then changed to during the lunch hour. Also, dates of the lounges were at random times during the semester, ranging from once a week to once a month.

Through the help of adviser Caleb McGinn and students Courtney Smith, senior in marketing, and Amanda Hogue,

junior in hospitality management, UPC is revamping the Lunchtime Lounge program to run once a week from the beginning of February until the end of the school year, including both traveling acts from out-of-town and local acts from around Manhattan.

"We really started deciding what acts to book and organizing over the holiday break," said Smith. "It hasn't been consistent and we really wanted to bring it back. Really the main point of the lounge is for students to have entertainment to enjoy during their lunch break or to merely break up their routine and it will be a good opportunity for students to listen to new types of music from the area."

The dates the lounges will be held this month are Feb. 5, 12, 19 and 24 and the team is hoping to have a variety of acts coming to the lounge, which will be held from noon to 1 p.m. in the Union Courtyard.

"There will be 12 lounges starting the first week of February," McGinn said. "We have up to spring break almost scheduled and it should be posted around later next week to the UPC Web site. We are also looking into maybe making a Facebook page about the Lunchtime Lounges too."

The acts feature range in musical talent and genre. Wetzel is a solo artist who plays piano and has more of a folk/indie sound, Reed Turner is a pop/rock band out of Nashville, Tenn., and Eventide, the OPUS band competition winner from last fall will perform for the Feb. 19 lounge.

Hogue said he hopes students can catch a moment of good music and entertainment during their lunch.

"In the past the lounges have been sort of random, just running once a month or



Lunchtime Lounge is located in the Union courtyard. The courtyard makes a great space to view any performance due to the two stories of viewing angles.

once a week and we are hoping people can enjoy some music, and it gives students and local artists a chance to get their name out to students on the campus and also a good place for them to perform," Hogue said.

Hogue said a few ways local artist and students can get involved is by going to the UPC Web site and contacting the music committee. Also, another UPC event coming up lets students get involved.

"K-State Idol is going to start having auditions on Feb. 8 and it would be a great way to get involved because the winner will definitely perform for the lounge after they are announced," she said.

Ben Hopper, UPC adviser, said the Lunchtime Lounges are paid for by UPC. Additionally they are free and open to the public.

"Really the main point of the lounge is for students to have entertainment to enjoy during their lunch break or merely break up their routine..."

- Courtney Smith

Photos by Tommy Theis | COLLEGIAN
Below: Luke Johnson, a graduate in music theater, performed last semester during the Lunchtime Lounge in the Union.

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Puppy Love

PETA seeks the limelight, uses attacks for promotion



Leslie Campbell

PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals) is an organization infamously known for its radical demonstrations, ads and views related to animal rights. Last Monday, Jan. 25, they once again stole the spotlight, smacking the Canadian Fisheries and Oceans Minister Gail Shea in the face with a tofu cream pie. Shea had just arrived at the Canada Centre for Inland Waters to tour the facilities. Reports surfaced that Shea "laughed" off the event gracefully and commented on the bland flavor of the pie. The perpetrator, Emily McCoy, is originally from New York City. McCoy was later arrested and charged with one count of simple assault.

My problem with PETA is not their views on animal rights. Vegetarianism and veganism is a lifestyle choice more and more people around the world abide by. Wearing fur is not my cup of tea, but to each their own. PETA, on the other hand, feels the need to take matters into their hands and vehemently attacks anyone who does not uphold their beliefs. Their principles and actions have been categorized as bizarre and extreme in comparison to the everyday citizens'.

Gail Shea is the most recent, but not the first of PETA's victims. In years past, PETA has assaulted everyone from Anna Wintour, editor of *Vogue*, to former Agriculture Secretary for the United States Dan Glickman. PETA insists on protecting animal rights but blatantly ignores the laws put in place to protect people.

Besides throwing "cream" pies, PETA produces highly offensive advertising campaigns. One notable billboard



Illustration by Hannah Loftus

shows a picture of an overweight woman in a bikini and reads "Save the whales. Lose the blubber. Go vegetarian." This ad implies anyone who does not participate in a vegetarian lifestyle is morbidly overweight. This is one example of several highly publicized ads portraying obesity in correlation with eating meat and animal products.

Portraying vegetarians as scantily clad or naked is another ad technique PETA is fond of. The message they deliver is simple: Vegetarians are sexy, skinny and in-style. Carnivores have weight problems and are unattractive, social outcasts. What kind of message

does this send to young, impressionable children who have been taught in health class the importance of protein and milk? PETA's message is harmful and misleading.

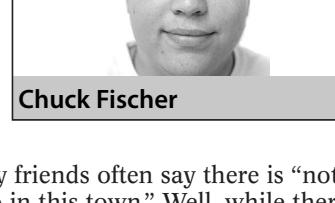
PETA can most easily be described as downright ridiculous. A recent PETA endeavor, which illustrates this point nicely, is their plea for organizers of Pennsylvania's Groundhog Day festival to replace the star of the show, Punxsutawney Phil, with a mechanical robot stand in. The group claims that exposing Phil to the huge crowds and bright lights is animal cruelty. I don't know what goes on behind the scenes

of the Groundhog Day festivities but I can safely assume Phil is treated with the utmost care and respect.

The bottom line is PETA is nothing more than a vicious organization, seeking out the limelight every chance they see possible. Whether they accomplish this by assaulting prominent figures in society with their "cream" pies or shooting controversial commercials with insufficiently clothed supermodels, PETA has no shame.

Leslie Campbell, junior in apparel marketing
Send comments to opinion@spub.ksu.edu

Adding Manhattan casinos a lucky roll for 'Little Vegas'



Chuck Fischer

My friends often say there is "nothing to do in this town." Well, while there are plenty of entertaining things to do, I believe with a little legislation, Manhattan, and Kansas in general, would be a much more entertaining place.

Kansas should become the next Las Vegas. I think the state should allow gambling statewide and not just on American Indian reservations or through the lottery, which isn't really gambling.

The Kansas Legislature should allow for proprietors to build and operate casinos anywhere in the state. I especially think several casinos should be built around the Manhattan area. This would provide a central location for people to come and gamble. East coast dwellers would not have to go two-thirds of the way across the country to enjoy some fine dining and a few rounds at the roulette wheel.

I realize my plan for the next Las Vegas

here in Manhattan is pretty far-fetched, but I believe it would be well worth it. Providing the type of atmosphere one can experience in Las Vegas, while not having to travel to the desert, is well worth the initial money it would take to create such a place.

With the right investors, there would not have to be a tax increase to pay for the casinos. Plus, those new casinos would need people to work in them, providing more jobs for the great state of Kansas. This would all snowball into more money coming into Riley County, which is always a good thing. In fact, I think building a few casinos around Manhattan would bring in more money and stimulate the economy more than the Big Red One did when they moved back to Fort Riley.

I do see the counter argument to building more casinos, including more crime and more bad people coming into the area. However, with the proper policing and zoning for development, this should not be a major problem. A higher crime rate is almost unavoidable with the increase of people coming into an area, but I feel the benefits reaped from the casinos being present will far outweigh the crime rate increase.

I also believe by having a Vegas-like feeling around town, there is the potential to recruit more people to attend K-



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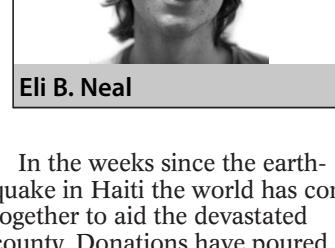
State. This could include more top-rated athletes, but also business and entrepreneurial students who want to make it big in the Little Vegas.

All in all, the idea of a Little Vegas in the Little Apple would really put Manhattan on the map. It would provide a much more centralized location for people from both coasts to come do some gambling and blow some money.

Sure, Vegas has its history going for it, but it also has its problems too. I believe that, if done right, Manhattan could easily become "the" destination spot in the Midwest and provide the feel of Vegas with less severe heat and none of the cacti.

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Generosity should not be limited to disasters



Eli B. Neal

In the weeks since the earthquake in Haiti the world has come together to aid the devastated country. Donations have poured in from around the globe. Every Web site seems to have a link to donate to a charity, the Collegian's Web site included, countless celebrities have donated money and asked others to do the same, and there have been numerous star-studded benefit concerts.

Even text message donations raised millions of dollars. On the K-State campus numerous organizations have raised money for Haiti; a rave held on Jan. 23 raised more than \$1,400 and donations in the K-State Student Union the week following the earthquake raised over \$400. As of Jan. 28

the Chronicle of Philanthropy estimated the total amount raised by American non-profits exceeded \$585 million, and this doesn't include the enormous amounts pledged by governments and donated by citizens of other nations.

Haiti undoubtedly needs this aid desperately. Haiti's president Rene Preval said 170,000 bodies have been counted so far, and millions of people have been left homeless and without access to food or safe drinking water. I applaud the fact the world has taken notice of the immense tragedy that occurred in Haiti, and are doing everything in their power to help those who so badly need it.

That said, I think there is a grim truth behind this outpouring of donations. It seems to take a natural disaster for human beings to come together as a species to help people who are in desperate need of foreign aid.

Massive influxes of donations following natural disasters is a common occurrence. In the nine days following the Asian Tsunami in 2004, Americans donated \$1.63 million, and the total donations

to victims of hurricane Katrina totaled \$5 billion, according to CQ Researcher.

Unfortunately, in general, Americans' donations to charity are quite limited. If we account for the fact that the top nine percent of American earners donate 40 percent of the donations to charity in this country, then the rest of us are only donating a little more than 1 percent of our income, according to CQ researcher.

This number doesn't seem unjust until we consider a few other facts, however. The U.S. is the wealthiest nation on earth and every day 14,000 children starve to death, according to the U.N. This means that in the time since the earthquake in Haiti, more 294,000 children have starved to death in the world.

That number is almost incomprehensible; 294,000 children dying the most horrible of deaths. 294,000 children who could have lived if only someone had given the money needed to feed them.

The grim truth is every day millions of people in this world find themselves in situations every bit as dire as the people of Hai-

ti and every day tens of thousands of them die. As members of the wealthiest nation in the world, we have a moral obligation to help these people. We cannot wait for, or expect, the U.S. government to aid them.

Events like the Haitian earthquake have proven that when we come together as a species, we can raise tremendous amounts of money that can have dramatic influences on the lives of those in need. However, it shouldn't take an earthquake or a hurricane to make us take action. Just as the efforts of the American people to aid the victims of this earthquake prove, when we make even the smallest of sacrifices personally, the collective impact can be tremendous and we can save millions of lives.

If it took you three minutes to read this article, about 30 children starved to death while you were reading. That fact alone should be enough reason to be charitable, earthquake or not.

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A K-State student conducts a "thermodynamics experiment."

BCS bowl controversy escalates

Government must intervene in BCS monopoly

Kevin Hollinshead
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

As you may have heard, CSU has some budget problems. If the cuts to student organizations and services weren't bad enough, the school will now raise tuition 9 percent (\$434 a year) starting this fall.

While larger universities aren't in enviable positions either, they at least have a source of funding that most small schools do not: Bowl Championship Series (BCS) payouts.

The system dictates that the winner of each of the six major college football conferences gets an automatic berth in a BCS bowl. Each of the five BCS games brings a \$17 million payout, with the biggest share to the winners, and the rest to be split among every school in the represented conferences, regardless of performance. The six "power" conferences are thus guaranteed a nice chunk of change.

Non-BCS schools, such as CSU, must hope that a team in their conference finishes the season undefeated to qualify.

for a BCS game if they want some of that money.

Both Congress and the White House are correct for openly questioning whether the BCS violates the Sherman Anti-trust Act. At a time when higher education funding is drying up, it's despicable how heavily the BCS favors bigger football programs.

The most common complaint about government intervention in the BCS is something to the effect of "don't they have more important things to worry about?"

In reality, for all its problems, our government is indeed capable of multitasking. At a time when the fed preaches about the evils of special interests, and about prioritizing higher education, this is a golden opportunity with bipartisan support to back up both of those messages.

If one CSU program could be saved by BCS money, that makes an investigation completely worth it. Plus, let's face it, a playoff would be sweet.

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Congressional investigation into BCS is a joke

Seth Stern
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

I admit, when I first heard Congress was going to look into the BCS I had two reactions in support.

First, the sports fan loves the idea of a potential playoff. After all, Division I football is the only entity in collegiate athletics which does not use a playoff system. Even Division IA uses playoffs.

The libertarian in me was relieved the idiots in Washington had finally decided to distract themselves from ruining the country in order to pursue a mostly harmless agenda.

However, the bottom line for me is the Constitution provides no power to Congress to provide oversight for anti-trust laws or anything else not expressly permitted by Article 1 Section 8 or 9.

I know what some of you more knowledgeable folks are thinking, "Doesn't the interstate commerce clause give Congress unlimited power?"

The problem with that statement is you have no knowledge and you have

never bothered to question authority. This move by Congress and recently the White House to involve the federal government in the business of universities violates the intent of the Constitution, as does virtually every other thing they do, yes, typically under the false pretense of the interstate commerce clause.

Those of you who don't should consider the merit behind this statement, "the federal government should not involve itself in everything going on in America."

These people have screwed up everything in which they have gotten involved.

Quick reminder, these are the people who brought you: TARP, No Child Left Behind, the Patriot Act, buyouts of GM and Chrysler – who then failed anyway –, the Vietnam War, Iraq, Afghanistan, Social Security and Medicare. Every single one of these was a colossal failure, and it barely scrapes the surface of their full resume.

Butt out Congress, you've screwed up enough.

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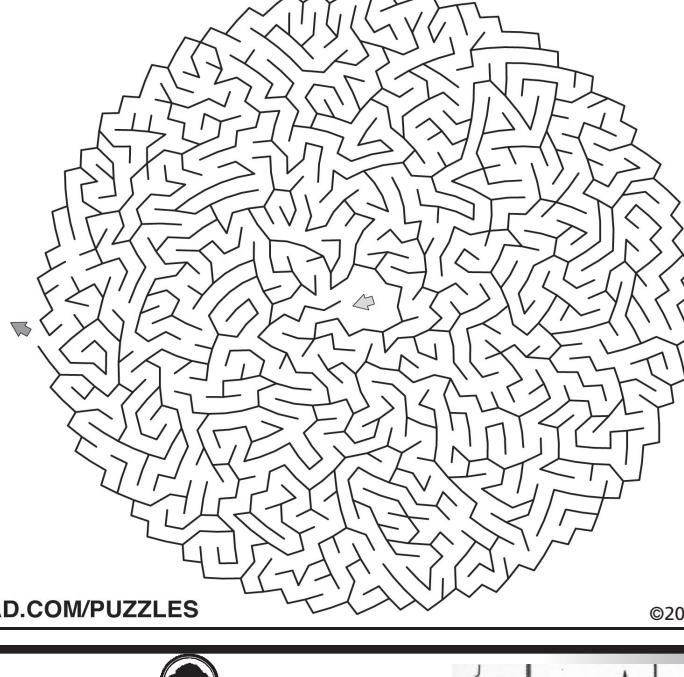
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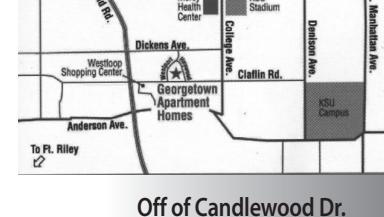
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Cats look to bounce back in Lincoln

Grant Guggisberg | COLLEGIAN

Rebounding from a tough loss is never easy, but the No. 10 K-State Wildcats seem to have the hang of it.

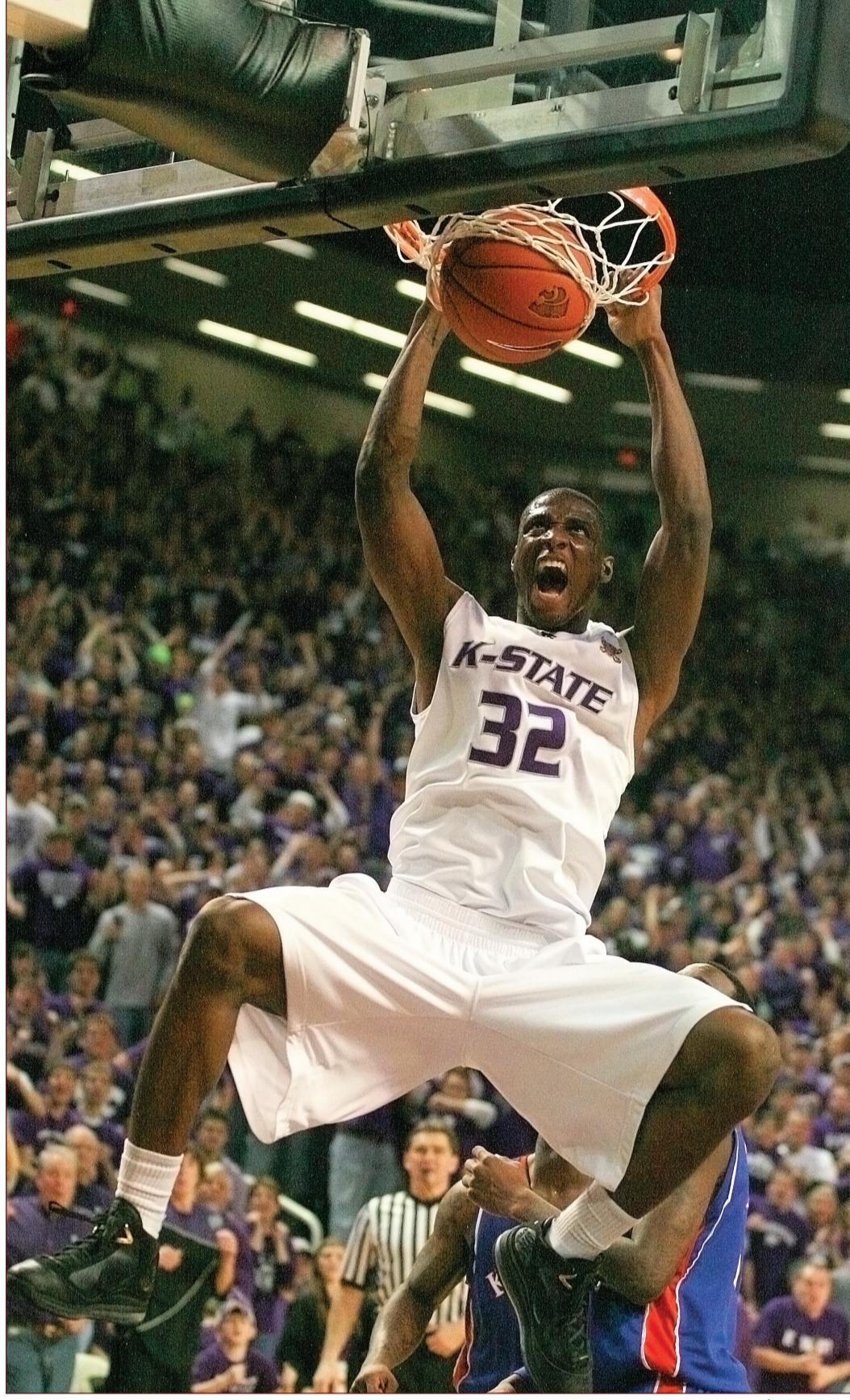
The team has not lost back-to-back games all year, and now would be a bad time to start. The Wildcats travel to Lincoln, Neb., today to face the Huskers at 7 p.m. Nebraska (13-8, 1-5 Big 12 Conference) was winless in Big 12 league play until this past weekend, when they beat a reeling Oklahoma team that has played inconsistently all season.

Meanwhile, the Wildcats (17-4, 4-3) are still recovering from a close overtime loss to Kansas on Saturday. The loss gave Kansas a two-game cushion in the Big 12 race, while knocking K-State down to fourth place behind Texas and Missouri. Making sure they take care of business this week is essential for the Wildcats to continue to float near the top of the standings. This starts today at Nebraska and ends with a road game at Iowa State on Saturday.

While it is not as quick as the Big Monday matchup with Texas, the turnaround for the Wildcats is a day shorter than usual. This means they will have less time to collect themselves after the tough loss Saturday. The coaches and players have talked often this season about taking things one game at a time and not getting too high and too low. Focus will be an important aspect of this game, as winning in Lincoln has not been easy for the Wildcats the past few years.

The last time K-State won at the Devaney Center was the '05-'06 season. Jim Wooldridge was still the coach and the Wildcats won a close game, 66-64. Since then, former coach Bob Huggins and head coach Frank Martin have gone a combined 0-3 in Lincoln, with last year's beating in Nebraska dropping K-State to 0-3 in the conference. Even Michael Beasley struggled in the Devaney Center, shooting just 1 of 6 from the three-point line and scoring a below-average 17 points in his one-year stint in college.

However, things have changed since last year. The Wildcats have added depth and quality players to their front-



Jamar Samuels, forward for the K-State men's basketball team, slams it home during the 2010 Sunflower Showdown.

court. They have shown that they can win road games, as they did last week against Baylor. But most importantly, Nebraska has not shown much improvement this season. Picked to finish 10th in the league, the Huskers have fallen to dead last behind bottom-dweller Colorado. The team has stayed competitive all season behind a balanced scoring attack, led by Ryan Anderson, but have managed to lose many of their close games thus far. The Huskers also added forward the semester-

ter break. The German player finally was allowed to play after sitting out for an NCAA-mandated half of the season due to issues with his amateur status.

All that said, the two teams do not match up particularly well. The Huskers lead the league in defense, allowing 60.2 points per game. The Wildcats counter with the league's fourth-highest scoring average at 81.3 points per game. In their only Big 12 win this season, Nebraska dominated the lane, scoring 30 points in the paint. They also controlled the boards with

a decisive rebounding advantage over the undersized Oklahoma Sooners. The Wildcats have plenty of big players who can match up well and grab rebounds, so the game could easily come down to three-point shooting.

Junior guard Jacob Pullen is coming off one of his better league games against Kansas, scoring 22 points. When he scores the ball at a high rate, the Wildcats usually find success.

The Wildcats do not play their next home game until Feb. 13, against Colorado.

Bright side to bad loss gives hope



Ashley Dunkak

As Jacob Pullen said in the press conference following the KU game, there is good and bad to everything. Since the "bad" aspect of the heart-wrenching home loss to our biggest rival is fairly evident already, I thought it would be good to focus on some of the positive elements of Saturday's game.

- Everyone talks about how Kansas is such a deep team and how it can wear everyone down by just playing all the way through its bench. If that is the case, K-State is just as much that way if not more so.

- Speaking of the bench, I am so excited to see how the young guys on this team develop in the coming years. Wally Judge nearly getting a double-double while defending Cole Aldrich? Rodney McGruder stealing the ball and converting the shot and the free throw to tie the game near the end of regulation? Those are some pretty gutsy performances for anyone, particularly for freshmen. That's impressive.

- The young guys aren't the only ones doing well. Jacob Pullen got 22 points, five assists and two steals. Not too shabby. Dominique Sutton played better than he has in months, and if he can take the ball to the rim with as much ferocity as he grabs it off the rim, he can give his team and his game a huge lift.

- This was a fantastic game. The Wildcats proved they can compete with the elite programs in the nation. ESPN should be back in coming seasons. I will be surprised if another KU-KSU matchup is not featured on College GameDay in the next three years.

- Coach Frank Martin said he could not be prouder of his players. That speaks volumes coming from a coach who does not accept less than a player's best. This team has progressed immensely from the beginning of the season, when Martin seethed about bad practices or sloppiness on a regular basis during press conferences.

- Along the line of press conferences, I am now, more than ever, a believer in the father-son relationship between Martin and his guys. He looks out for them. A reporter asked Sutton about how frustrating it was to go at Aldrich and not have fouls called on him. Before the player spoke, this is what the coach said:

- "Before he answers, please don't ask any more questions related to foul calls. Don't put these kids in that situation. That's not fair to them. If you guys want to ask questions about what happened in the game, ask as many as you want. Don't put them in a situation to talk about officials, okay? He's not going to talk about them, (Pullen's) not going to talk about them, and I'm not going to talk about them. Thank you. Go ahead, Dom."

- On the other side, KU coach Bill Self really seems like a decent guy. I know this isn't what people want to hear about an opponent, but hearing him speak in the post-game press conference, I really think he is a pretty down-to-earth, genuine individual. Self walked in with his collared shirt, slightly mangled tie and an exhausted expression on his face. He just looked like a guy coming off a day's work.

- Last, but certainly not least, KU was predicted to win by four or more, so when Jacob's buzzer-beating 3-pointer made it only a two-point victory by the Jayhawks, betters everywhere were disappointed.

Here's to the Wildcats maybe breaking a few gambling addictions!

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Stepping inside the world of Taelor Karr

Q: Did anyone influence you to play basketball?

A: "I started when I was five and my older brother played and he's four years older than me. I took a liking to it and was around it my whole life and I fell in love with it."

Q: What were some of your college offers and what made you decide on K-State?

A: "I had a lot of offers from the Big 12 and Kansas area not too far away. It came down between KU and K-State obviously, but K-State was the first one to offer and they were with me the whole way. The coaching staff and family atmosphere were the main reasons to attend."

Q: What's it like playing for coach Deb Patterson and learning from K-State alum Shalee Lehning?

A: "It's great, I couldn't ask for anything better than that. Shalee Lehning is a great player and it's great having her give a lot of tips and help me out. Coach Patterson has been around the block she's a great coach and she's had a lot of success."

Q: As a freshman, has it been easy to make the transition from high school to college basketball?

A: "It's getting easier day by day. The speed of the game was tough at first. Kari (Kincaid) and Ashley (Sweat) have helped us out and the coaching staff has always been there. It's making a big difference and it's starting to pay off."

Q: You and Brittany Chambers have similar statistics. How great of a tandem do you think you guys can be in the future?

A: "We're doing pretty good right now, we've got a lot to learn. We're roommates and we're going to keep getting closer and closer. I feel like in the future we could be a pretty good tandem so we'll see what happens."



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K-State guard Taelor Karr (12) dribbles around Kansas guard Angel Goodrich (23) during the second half of their game Jan. 9. K-State won 59-35.

Q: What's the college atmosphere like for you compared to Paola, Kan.?

A: "Paola is a small town. It's great being in Manhattan and it's a great rural community. Everybody's behind you, being in college and playing K-State basketball is fun. It's great coming to Bramlage and having 4 or 5,000 people come watch you every game. I love it."

Q: Do you have any specific goals to accomplish while playing at K-State?

A: "Definitely want to go to the postseason, win a Big 12 Championship and do anything to help the team succeed."

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